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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT : Attached Memorandum Concerning
Overhead Reconnaissance

1. At the request of the Chairman, Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance, ONE undertook some time ago to prepare an assessment of the likely aspects of the environment for overhead reconnaissance in the mid-1970's. The purpose and scope of the Memorandum are outlined in the Foreword; the principal Conclusions appear on pages 3 - 8.

2. We have supplied copies of this Memorandum to [redacted], Carl Duckett, and [redacted]. The question of its dissemination and use, particularly outside CIA, should, I believe, be discussed with you and Admiral Taylor, since the judgments in the paper have, or may come to have, a number of potentially important budgetary and bureaucratic implications in the future.

3. ONE would just as soon see the Memorandum released to appropriate personnel in NRO and elsewhere, but any decision should await a discussion with you, the interested officers named above, and appropriate members of my Office.

/s/
SHERMAN KENT
Director
National Estimates

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